

## General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by: (HS)

## AN ACT CONCERNING A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE TASK FORCE TO TRANSFER HOSPITAL PATIENTS WHO RECEIVE MEDICAID BENEFITS TO NURSING HOMES IN A TIMELY MANNER TO ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The Commissioner of Social 2 Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health, a 3 representative of an acute care hospital and a representative of a long-4 term care facility, shall develop a plan to implement a pilot program to 5 decrease the period of time that Medicaid recipients, who require long-6 term health care, remain hospitalized in an acute care hospital before 7 transfer to a long-term care facility. Said pilot program shall be 8 conducted in no less than two hospitals in the city of New Haven. Not later than October 1, 2011, the Commissioner of Social Services shall 10 submit such plan to the joint standing committees of the General 11 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human services, 12 public health and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies. 13 Not later than thirty days after the date of receipt of such plan, said 14 joint standing committees shall hold a joint public hearing to review such plan. Said joint standing committees may advise the 15

16 Commissioner of Social Services of their approval, denial or 17 modifications, if any, of the plan. The Commissioner of Social Services 18 shall modify the plan pursuant to said joint standing committees' 19 recommendations, if any. If said joint standing committees deny the 20 plan, the commissioner shall submit a new plan to said joint standing 21 committees not later than thirty days after the public hearing. Said 22 joint standing committees shall follow the procedures in this section 23 with respect to the new plan. The Commissioner of Social Services 24 shall implement the pilot program, in accordance with the approved 25 plan, not later than April 1, 2012.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	from passage	New section

## Statement of Purpose:

To establish a pilot program to place recipients of Medicaid with longterm health care needs in the most appropriate and cost-effective setting.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]